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SUBJECT: MORE LIBYAN "ASSASSINS" ARRESTED IN EGYPT

1. STATE SECURITY OFFICERS TOLD REPORTERS MAY 13 THAT A THREE-MAN LIBYAN ASSASSINATION SQUAD WAS ARRESTED IN CAIRO 48 HOURS AFTER ARRIVAL ON MISSION TO KILL MUHAYSHI. PLOT UNCOVERED WHEN ONE ARRESTED FOR PUBLIC DRUNKENNESS. SUSPECTS IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS: ABDALLAH ASHUR, AKA ALI AHMAD AL-FAYTURI; ABD AL-RAHMAN AHMAD AL-MAMLUK, AKA SALAH SAID; SALAH ALI KHALIFA KAZUZ, NO ALIS GIVEN.

2. SECURITY OFFICERS REPORTED THAT ALL THREE MEN WERE CONVICTS RELEASED EXPRESSLY TO UNDERTAKE THIS MISSION AND BRIEFED PERSONALLY BY QADHAFI. WITH PRESUMABLY STRAIGHT FACE, SECURITY OFFICER TOLD PRESS THAT QADHAFI INSPIRED TO USE CRIMINALS, RATHER THAN COMMANDOS OR DIPLOMATS, BY HIS RECENT VIEWING OF FILM "THE DIRTY DOZEN." REWARD WAS TO HAVE BEEN COMMISSIONING IN LIBYAN ARMY AND CASH.

3. PRESS STORIES ALSO NOTE CONTINUING LIBYAN OPERATIONS AGAINST TUNISIA.

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